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# City of Bethel City Council Meeting Minutes

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February 14, 2012

Regular Meeting

Bethel, Alaska

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## I. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Bethel City Council was held on February 14, 2012 at 6:30pm, at the City Council Chambers, Bethel, Alaska.

Mayor Joseph Klejka called the meeting to order.

## II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## III. ROLL CALL

### PRESENT:

Mayor Joseph Klejka  
Vice-Mayor Gene Jr. Peltola  
Council Member Kent Harding  
Council Member Rick Robb  
Council Member Mark Springer (arrived at 6:36p)  
Council Member Mary Sattler (arrived at 6:49p)

### ABSENT:

Council Member Eric Whitney

### STAFF:

City Manager Lee Foley  
Assistant to City Clerk Bing Santamour

## IV. PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

David Trantham: ANCSA land allotment fulfilled; hopes then to use 300 acres for new city complex for Vision 2025, please review rough sketches and plan; please keep Vision 2025 going.

## V. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AND REGULAR AGENDA

<b>MOVED:</b>	Robb	Motion to approve the consent and regular agenda.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Springer	
<b>MOVED:</b>	Robb	Remove from the consent agenda Resolution 12-05 and Ordinance 12-

	03.
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	All in favor

**VI. APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES**

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*Passed on the consent agenda.*

**VII. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

Planning Commission  
Council Member Rick Robb -

Public Safety and Transportation Commission  
Council Member Kent Harding –  
A meeting was not held due to a lack of a quorum.

Finance Committee  
Finance Committee Member Dave Trantham-  
A meeting was not held due to a lack of a quorum.

Port Commission  
Council Member Mark Springer –  
A meeting was not held due to a lack of a quorum.

Parks & Recreation Committee  
Council Member Mary Sattler-  
Provided a recommendation to Council stating their opposition to the acquisition of the Armory Building.

Public Works Committee  
Vice Mayor Joseph Klejka –

**VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Public Hearing Of Ordinance 12-02: Amending Bethel Municipal Code Section 13.12.290 Landfill Use And 12.16.010 Solid Waste Collection by Striking five dollars within the Rate Schedule.

*Mayor Klejka opened the public hearing.*

*No one wished to be heard.*

*Mayor Klejka closed the public hearing.*

<b>MOVED:</b>	Robb	Motion to adopt Ordinance 12-02.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Peltola	
<b>MOVED:</b>	Peltola	Motion to suspend the rules to hear from the Public Works Director, Chuck Willert.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Harding	
<b>VOTE ON MOTION</b>	All in favor	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	All in favor	

**IX. NEW BUSINESS**

\*Resolution 12-05: Resolution by City of Bethel City Council seeking funding from Legislature For \$8 Million For Construction Improvements to the City's Sewer Lagoon following the City's Master Plan.

<b>MOVED:</b>	Harding	Motion to adopt Resolution 12-05.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Sattler	
<b>MOVED:</b>	Sattler	Motion to amend, to strike \$20 Million and insert \$8 Million.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Harding	
<b>VOTE ON MOTION</b>	All in favor	
<b>MOVED:</b>	Springer	Motion to amend the title to state "Resolution by the Bethel City Council seeking funding for the construction improvements to the sewage lagoon"; and to amend the resolved statement to say "that the Bethel City Council seeks up to \$8,000,000 (Eight Million Dollars) for construction and improvement to the
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Sattler	

	sewage lagoon as outlined in the City of Bethel Water and Sewer Facilities Master Plan."
<b>VOTE ON MOTION</b>	4 -2 Motion passes, Klejka and Harding opposed
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	5-1 Motion passes, Robb opposed

\*Resolution 12-03 Substitute: Revised Participation in FY 2012 Denali Commission's Transportation Program – Waterfront Project Nomination.

*Passed on the consent agenda.*

\*Introduction of Ordinance 12-03: Amending Bethel Municipal Code Section 1.08 General Penalties to Increase The Maximum Penalties For A Violation Of the Bethel Municipal Code From \$500 to \$1000.

<b>MOVED:</b>	Robb	Motion to introduce Ordinance 12-03.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Springer	
<b>MOVED:</b>	Peltola	Motion to suspend the rules to hear from the gallery.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Harding	
<b>VOTE ON MOTION</b>	All in favor	
<i>Council Member Robb wished to withdraw their motion. The Mayor allowed.</i>		

<b>MOVED:</b>	Springer	Motion to introduce Ordinance 12-03.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Peltola	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	5-1 Motion passes, Robb opposed	

\*AM 12-09 Reappointment of Abraham Palacios To the Planning Commission For a Term of Three Years.

*Passed on the consent agenda.*

AM 12-10: Army National Guard Armory And Corresponding Building  
Transfer to the City of Bethel.

<b>MOVED:</b>	Springer	Motion to adopt 12-10.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Harding	
<b>MOVED:</b>	Robb	Motion to amend to accept the land, the outbuildings and the park but not the armory building.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Peltola	
<b>VOTE ON MOTION</b>	3-3 Motion Fails, Sattler, Peltola Robb in favor	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	2-4 Motion fails, Harding and Springer in favor	

<b>MOVED:</b>	Robb	Motion to direct City Manager Foley to write a new Action Memorandum accepting the land located on Chief Eddie Hoffman Highway and the money associated with the Territorial Guard Memorial Park, also accepting the outbuildings on the land adjacent to the Armory building; request the Army National Guard identify funds and commit them for the eventual removal of the building at the end of its life expectancy
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Peltola	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	4-2 Motion passes, Springer and Harding opposes	

<b>MOVED:</b>	Springer	Motion to take a ten minute break.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Robb	
<b>VOTE ON amended MOTION</b>	All in favor	

\*AM 12-11 Training And Travel Approval for the City Clerk To Attend The International Institute Of Municipal Clerks' Conference May 20-24<sup>th</sup>.

*Passed on the consent agenda.*

\*AM 12-12 Appointment of Pat Jennings To the Port Commission.

*Passed on the consent agenda.*

AM 12-13: Approve the Preliminary Grant Application Submission Regarding the Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) Project.

<b>MOVED:</b>	Springer	Motion to adopt AM 12-13.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Robb	
<b>MOVED:</b>	Springer	Motion to amend, to designate the City Manager as the individual to be the contact for this project.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Peltola	
<b>VOTE ON MOTION</b>	2-4 Motion fails, Springer and Harding in favor	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	All in favor	

\*AM 12-14: Appointment of John Dickens to the Commission For a Term of Three Years.

*Passed on the consent agenda.*

- XII. MAYOR'S REPORT**
- XIII. MANAGERS REPORT**
- XIV. CITY CLERK'S REPORT**
- XV. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS**

Council Member Robb-

This was a productive meeting; quyana and Happy Valentine's

Council Member Harding-

Happy Valentine's Day; another storm coming; everyone be safe and careful

Council Member Springer-

As the AML Representative for District 9, he attended meetings in Juneau last week. Some items discussed at the meetings were, revenue sharing topic – oil tax; State appropriates 60 million each year and it can hold max of 180 million; PERS represents large State debt; ALAMAR communication system and City of

Bethel has connectivity; microwave computer sites on rail belt (technical) gas line Cook Inlet to Crooked Creek to provide fuel/power.  
 And proposed gas line to Donlin Creek and ? to come and speak to us – potential unregulated gas line since private dollars used; inter-tie to downriver and will be transparent use; AML meeting in August here – Bethel requesting it a long time and finally got it. 37,000 statewide signatures gathered for legislation for initiative to be presented.

Council Member Sattler-  
 Happy Valentine's Day; nice to be warm

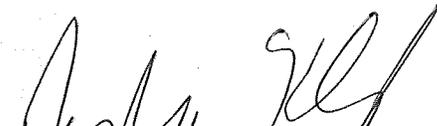
Council Member Peltola-  
 Happy Valentine's Day; reported on Juneau trip with Mayor Klejka; said good things about City lobbyist, prepared documents by Lori were very helpful; City of Bethel projects well received; 1 negative comment only about boat harbor; brought drowning statistics to share and support the pool request; billion dollar cost associated with gas line run from Donlin Creek to Bethel due to cross refuge and marsh land.

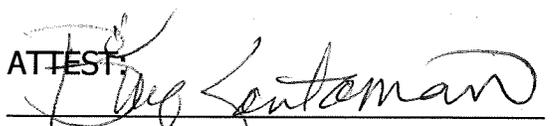
Mayor Klejka-  
 Juneau was worthwhile. DOT regarding Polk Road; unfortunately, Juneau doesn't know but Anchorage office does; he asked for status reports when can be given. Happy Valentines to Bethel. (big fire truck status – running and CM Foley said they're old) Great meeting tonight. You work well together.

<b>MOVED:</b>	Springer	Motion to adjourn.
<b>SECONDED:</b>	Peltola	
<b>VOTE ON MAIN MOTION</b>	All in favor	

**XVI. ADJOURNMENT**

*Council adjourned at 9:05 pm*

  
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 Joseph A. Klejka, Mayor

ATTEST:  
  
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 Bing Santamour, Assistant to City Clerk